

RULE 6.8(A) REPORT
OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL LAW AND PROCEDURE
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 354

May 22, 2017
Date

I. SUMMARY OF JOINT RESOLUTION

This report is for House Bill No. 354 of the 2017 Regular Session by Representative Thibaut, proposing to amend Article VII, Section 27(B) of the Constitution.

HB 354 provides relative to the dedication of proceeds of the tax levied on motor fuels.

II. CONCLUSION

The proposed measure cannot be accomplished statutorily.

HB 354 proposes to amend the constitutional dedication of proceeds of the tax levied on motor fuels by removing the use of funds for state police for traffic control purposes and by creating the Construction Subfund dedicated to construction, maintenance and infrastructure projects. These changes to the constitutionally dedicated funds can only be accomplished by a constitutional amendment.

III. OTHER PENDING MEASURES

Total joint resolutions introduced: 50

Total joint resolutions reported
by other standing committees: 18

HB 236, HB 346, HB 447, and SB 57 all propose to amend Const. Art. VII, §27(B). These joint resolutions each propose various changes to the Transportation Trust Fund, some of which directly conflict with HB 354, while others may not directly conflict but may cause confusion if submitted to the voters with HB 353.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

With Amendments X

Without Amendments